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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111 ET SEQ.

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed January 27, 2004. Applicants respectfully request that the Remarks be entered and considered.



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STATEMENT OF COMMON OWNERSHIP

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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed January 27, 2004. Applicants respectfully state that the present application (Serial No. 10/034,004) and U.S. Patent No. 6,645,282 (a reference cited in the Office Action), at the time the invention of patent application Serial No. 10/034,004 was made, were and are owned by Sun Chemical Corporation.

Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections regarding U.S. Patent No. 6,645,282 be withdrawn as they are effectively obviated. See, MPEP 706.02 (1)(2).

Respectfully submitted,



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